

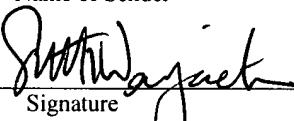


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This communication is Applicants' response to the restriction requirement issued in the referenced application by an Office Action, mailed July 26, 2004. Apart from the restriction requirement, there has been no substantive examination of the claims.